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Mails close for San Francisco, etc., at 8 a. m., 10:00 a. m. and 4:50 p. m. For Benicia, etc., 8 a. m.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE

(In Effect May 19, 1904.)

COMING WEST.

Leave Pinole—San Ramon Passenger 8:10 a. m., Martinez Local 9:55 a. m., Sacramento Passenger, 6:00 p. m., Martinez Passenger, 5:34 p. m.

Arrive in S. F.—9:25 a. m., 11:25 a. m., 7:25 p. m. 6:35 p. m.

Bakersfield passenger stops every day. Leaves Pinole at 3:38 p. m. and arrives in San Francisco at 4:55. Stops at Giant.

GOING EAST.

Leave San Francisco—Sacramento Passenger 7 a. m. Martinez Local 9:30 a. m. Sacramento Local 3:30 p. m. Martinez Passenger 7:00 p. m.

Arrive at Pinole 8:12 a. m. 10:40 a. m. 4:41 p. m. 8:10 p. m.

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GOING WEST.

Trains leave for Oakland and San Francisco as follows:

No. 5, 7:40 a. m., No. 41, 9:56 a. m.; No. 7, 5:05 p. m.

Arrive at Oakland 8:27 a. m., 10.35 a. m. and 5:55 p. m.

GOING EAST

Trains leave Oakland as follows:

No 50, 7:30 a. m., No. 54, 4:30 p. m., No 56, 8 p. m.

Arrive at Pinole 8:34 a. m., 5:11 p. m. 9 15 p. m.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Tony Davilla has rented the Athy cottage.

Geo. Pausey has taken up his residence at the Thos. Conwall place.

Henry Amends started up his threshing machine on Monday.

Some one sent E. M. Carr a frog. Carr likes "Solo" better than high five.

J. R. Nesbit has returned from a two week's visit at Stockton, visiting his sister, so he says.

Mr. Irving of the Paraffine Paint Company spent Saturday afternoon with E. M. Carr at the reservoir.

Mr. Read of the Pulp works gave his employees from Sunday to Thursday to celebrate the 4th.

Mrs. Read returned Wednesday from Pacific Grove and Monterey where she had spent two weeks.

Cip. Silva, who has been training for some time is now ready to meet all bicycle riders for money, marbles or chalk.

Subscribe for the NEWS today and get the advantage of the half rate 75 cts. per year. It goes to $1.50 the 16th of July.

Everybody reads the NEWS. Subscribe for it, don't borrow your neighbor's. It's six bits a year until tomorrow night—then it's $1.50.

Jack Van Prooyen and Chauncy Ingalls make regular trips every Sunday to Oakland nowadays. Be careful this is leap-year.

L. P. Evans, foreman or the Nitric acid department of the California Powder Works is spending his vacation with his family on the Russian River.

S. McKay made a trip to San Francisco on his bike on Sunday. He reports Market Street in worse condition than Pinole streets. Take the side streets next time, Sam.

Herbert Wood, who plays the bass tube in the Pinole band, has been indisposed for the past week with a badly swollen cheek, caused, he says, by a bite from a kissing bug.

One of the ice men is training his voice for grand opera at the rooms of Hercules Club, much to the annoyance of the members. It is suggested that he hire a boat and pull out in the bay about three miles to do his rehearsing.

Mr. Grow, draughtsman for the California Powder Works, carrys with him a lonesome and hungry countenance. It's nothing serious. His wife and daughter are spending a couple of weeks at Fruitvale and he is trying to do the cooking, and isn't very successful.

Several complaints have been made by subscribers missing their papers from their rooms of the boarding house. In order to put a stop to this "borrowing" the NEWS will be put up in wrappers with the name of each subscriber marked upon it and will be left at the counter of the sitting room.

Henry Emsley, guard at San Quentin was at Pinole Sunday.

Geo. Higgins is very low at the hospital with pneumonia.

G. W. Frazer has secured the agency for Pinole of Richmond soda water.

Chas. Houck departed last Wednesday for a three weeks' visit to Illinois.

"Hokey" Silva returned Sunday from a two weeks visit at Santa Cruz.'

O. P. Athey has taken Pop Waite's position at the Hercules Club.

Mr. D. S. Hirschle, the contractor and builder of Vallejo paid the NEWS a visit last Sunday.

Frank Murphy, Geo. Wells and J. W. Ingersoll of Read Pulp works spent the holidays at Sacramento.

Mrs. Mann and daughter, who have been spending two weeks at Pacific Grove, have returned.

The Quinn & Broder baseball team of Pinole will cross bats with the Valona nine on July 17th at Rodeo.

Tessie with three-in-hand was seen Sunday driving through Pinole, saying gently, "get up Doc."

Henry Boysen is taking an ocean voyage to Seattle, Vancouver, and other northern points. He will be gone two weeks.

E. E. Southworth, millright at the Read Pulp Works, returned Saturday evening after a weeks soujourn at Sacramento.

Mr. Morgan, the carpenter who was injured at the gun-cotton, is improving and will be able to be at work again in a short time.

To-morrow is the last day you can get the HERCULES NEWS at the 75 cts. a year rate. Saturday the rate will be $1.50 per year.

Mrs. H. McCullough and son, James, returned to Hercules and will occupy the house formerly occupied by A. McCullough.

Harry Lehman, our popular grocer, writes of his safe arrival at his home in Bavaria, Germany. He reports a very pleasant voyage across the "pond" and says he never missed a meal. He will be away for several months.

Hereafter the papers will be delivered at the Boarding house and at the watchman's gate Hercules, and at Post Office and mail box at Lehman's store, Pinole. Subscription blanks will be found at the above places. Sign them to-day and drop in the mail boxes at places named.

Rothe's orchestra recently organized in Pinole gave a dance at Foresters' Hall Saturday evening. Rudolph Thode as floor manager with the assistance of Bert Merrit insured all present an enjoyable time. The music was good while it lasted but for some reason it was cut short early in the evening. Some were so unkind as to say that Bennett's red necktie would stop most any band.

[If the manager will drop the NEWS a line when the orchestra is to give a dance we will gladly publish it and assure a larger attendance from Hercules.] ED.

Miss Mae Thompson has returned from a visit to Santa Rosa.

Mr. Young is visiting his daughter, Mrs. E. E. Athy, at Shingleville.

Mrs. Lessarego of Vallejo is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. M. F. Silva, in Pinole.

Frank Frates has returned to the California Powder Works and resumed his old position among the boilermakers.

Leo Kincannon and Frank Moore landed a nice string of black bass at Rodeo dam last Sunday.

Wilfred Minugh has given up his position at Giant, to accept another with Rouch & Co., commission merchants, Oakland.

R. S. Penniman Vice-President of the California Powder Works returned from the East Thursday with his Family. They will reside in Berkely.

E. McDonald and W. Lawrence are now giving instructions in the game of high five in the club house. Among their pupils are F. McGlinchy, A. Hitch and others.

Dr. E. E. Brown, F. A. Hodapp, and C. A. Lewis of Martinez, hunted doves in the vicinity of Pleasant Hill last week and bagged from twenty to forty birds apiece.

The opening of the new Black Diamond opera house will take place next Saturday evening. A boxing contest and a good program will be put upon the boards.

Mr. M. Silva celebrated the tenth anniversary of his wedding by a trip to Mitchell Canyon and other points of interest in the county last Monday, in company with his better half and sister-in-law. They returned home Wednesday.

Ceorga da Greek is evidently still in the laundry business. He came up to the Works in the early hours and proceeded to carry off Jack Curran's clothes the other morning, and Jack had a lively foot race with him to recover his property.

Chas. Rothe, a San Francisco musician has organized a band at Pinole which is doing nicely as is evidenced by the music furnished for the dance on Saturday evening. Following is the composition of the band: Chas. Rothe, leader; Manuel Martinez, baritone; Will Lewis, trombone; Antone Santos, trombone; Frank Oliver, cornet; Frank Lewis, cornet; Al. Race, clarionet; Bert Bennett, bass drum; H. Holliday, snare drum; H. Wood, bass tuber; C. Mills, alto; C. Ellis, alto.

Alex Horne is mourning the loss of $45 .75 which he had saved from his months earnings. While at work at the California Powder Works on Thursday his room was entered at the Commercial Hotel at Pinole, and his trunk broken open and the money taken therefrom. Alex knows the young man that vamoused about that time and was hot on his trail on Friday in San Francisco, where he found that his hard earned money had been spent with a lavish hand. Alex says he will ship his money to the Hibernia bank as soon as he gets it on pay day, hereafter.

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Republican Ticket

FOR PRESIDENT,

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS.

THE meeting of the Democratic Convention at St. Louis is a thing of the past and Alton Brooks Parker has been named by that body as the man who will run against Roosevelt for President of the United States Unlike the convention held some two weeks since by the Republicans, the sentiment of harmony was conspicuons by its absence. Harmon of Ohio, is favored for the Vice-Presidency, while Willie Hearst of California, was at no stage of the game in the fight. The defeated aspirants pledged support to the nominee, but this is a mere matter of form and we do not anticipate much boosting from the San Francisco Examiner and the New York Journal to aid Parker to climb into the Presidential chair. Many Democrats throughout the land have never heard of him before, and the mention of his name invokes little or no enthusiasm. The platform declares application of principles the first step toward the assured peace, safety and progress of the nation, and favors liberal appropriations for the improvement of waterways, and an open door for the world's commerce; denouncing trusts and monopolies and the ship-subsidy bill. The Republican policy has always been "protection to American labor and industries," sound money and prosperity, and we believe the present prevailing conditions under Republican rule are satisfactory to the masses, and that Roosevelt will be elected by overwhelming majorities in November next.

WE are much pleased with the interest taken in the NEWS and appreciate the assistance given us by handing in the dope to print. Keep this up and the paper will continue to be lively and reliable.

ALTHOUGH Wm. R. Hearst has exerted himself to the utmost, both by means of his newspapers and an inexhaustible sack to secure the Presidential nomination, he was so decidedly sat upon by the Democratic Convention at St. Louis, that all political aspirations have been literally squashed out of him. Never mind, Willie, bob up serenely in the New York Journal and use a little of that "yeller paint" which has been flung at Republican Presidents in the way of cartoons. That's "de dope."

Our war correspondent failed to mateialize this week, and we really can't imagine what the trouble can be. We know the wireless system is in perfect order, as Ralph Robison has special charge of this important factor. We think, however, that he has been engaged in adjusting a new and untried camera for the purpose of photographing long words by syllables at short range, and we will overlook the shortcomings on this account for longer comings next week. If we thought for a second that he was shrinking duty at the front we would immediately fire him and hire him over at an increased salary, for we must have the news at any cost.

IF it takes a million and a half to secure less than one-half the number of votes in a Democratic convention necessary to secure a nomimination, how many million and a half million will it take to land Parker, the Democratic Nominee into the Presidential chair?

When Adam awoke just at dusk and found his third floating rib standing before him in the form of a beauteous female (the very one of his dream) attired not in choice raiment, but wearing simply a smile and a flat fig leaf, he did not get fresh and say, "Good morning, Carrie!" He just bowed very polite-like to the lady and said. "Good Eve." And that's how she got her name.—Vallejo Morning News.

A new paper has entered our county and it is named the HERCULES NEWS, and is published by Luther McQuesten. With both hands we extend you success, Bro. McQuesten.—Antioch Enterprise.

W. A. Noonan has taken up his abode at the county seat. His stopping place is Hotel de Veale for about thirty days.

On the Diamond.

Pitcher Smith was there again with his head, even a bad error that caused a run did not bother him. All the team should obey their captain's orders. If this had been done Sunday the G. & M.'s would have been shut out. There is too much individual playing and not enough team work. Criticism is good for the team—we will give our loyal support at all times, but reserve the right to point out mistakes.

The G. & M. manager was sore—we don't blame him.

With the quality of ball that Manager Ross is supplying we are at a loss to understand the small attendance. No one was working and the price of admittance is reasonable. Never mind, Mr. Ross, as long as you give us good ball the Hercules Club has no kick coming.

Rollander is a good pitcher—don't forget that.

Heine Pyne, our last year's pitcher, is to pitch against us in the near future.

Manager Ross announces a trip to Salinas on August 7th. A large crowd of rooters will accompany the team.

The Hercules Club is to play during the mouth the undefeated Brooklyn team of Oakland. This should be a hummer.

Miller was there with the catches as well as the hot air, and both contributed to the downfall of the G. & M.

Dan caught the last fly. As soon as the fans saw the ball going in his direction, they started to leave the grand stand.

The club's supporters should remember that talking to members of our team when at bat is bad for the batter. It takes his mind off his work and is annoying to those who keep still.

William Davies, for many years Foreman bricklayer at the works, was an interested spectator of the game.

The catching of Steffins and the work of Robison and Lawrence, who, by the way, make his first bad error Sunday, was pleasing to the Hercules rooters. Steffins can throw, and they don't steal any on him.

The following is the score:

Hercules	AB.	R.	BH.	PO.	A.	E
Sheehan, 1st b	4	1	0	10	0	1
Robison, s s	2	1	0	1	3	1
Keiffer, l f	3	0	2	0	0	0
Hanrahan, 2d b	4	0	1	2	0	0
Lawrence, 3d b	3	0	1	0	3	1
O'Connell, c f	4	0	1	1	0	0
Smith, p	4	0	0	1	3	0
Steffen, c	4	0	1	10	1	0
Miller, r f	3	1	0	2	0	0
Totals	31	3	6	27	10	3

G. & M's.	AB.	R.	BH.	PO.	A.	E
Boynton, s s	5	0	1	0	2	1
Murphy, c f	5	1	0	1	0	0
Hughes, 3d b	4	1	2	2	2	2
Borland, l f	3	0	0	1	0	0
Rodgers, c	4	0	1	8	1	0
Levlin, r f	4	0	1	1	0	0
Kennedy, 2d b	3	0	0	1	0	1
Johnson, 1st b	4	0	0	10	2	1
Rollander, p	2	0	0	0	2	0
Glyspie, *	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	2	5	24	9	5

* Batted for Rollander in ninth.

Runs and hits by innings—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Hercules	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	*—3
Hits	2	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	*—6
G. & M.'s.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0—2
Hits	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1—5

Summary—Hit by pitcher, Borland; bases on balls—Off Smith, 3; off Rollander, 4; passed balls, Steffin, 1; Rodgers, 1; two-base hits, Keiffer, O'Connell; struck out, by Smith, 8; by Rollander, 6; double plays, Hughes to Johnson; Kennedy to Johnson; sacrifice hits, Robison; stolen bases, Robison, Keiffer, Steffin, O'Connell. Umpire—Swenson. Scorer—Ingersoll.

The following is the line-up for next Sunday's game:

Hercules	Position	W. B. Allens
Sheehan	1 b	Ganso
Hanrahan	2 b	Boyle
Lawrence	3 b	J. Moran
Robinson	s s	W. Moran
O'Connell	c f	Roethe
Keiffer	l f	Favor
Miller	r f	Maniton
Steffin	c	Ganso
Smith	p.	Leahy & McQuade

FISH LINES.

Never in many years past have the attractions of the trout streams been so alluring as prevails in this State at present, and most unusually so in the many streams easy of access from this city. The exodus of devotees of the rod this week and during the brief holfdays was unprecedented.

Not only are the finny inhabitants of the waters plentiful, but there is a nice variety as well, for the choice of trout and black bass fishing is open to the fly or bait casting angler, and the royal salmon, game striped bass and the small, unconsidered trifles of salt water fishing, such as smelt, tomcod, rockfish, perch, capazoni, sea trout, etc., invite the attention of the disciples of the rugged school of angling.

On the Truckee, although the river is still high, fly fishing flourishes, and good catches are being made at Boca, Reno, Floriston, Verdi and various favorite resorts along the river. Lake Tahoe fishing is reported to be more than satisfactory. At Independence and Webber lakes the fish are beginning to take the fly lures with avidity. The Langerman, blue bottle, march brown and black gnat are the most effective lures. In fact, the two latter flies are good killers in almost any trout waters just now.

At Lemoine, Sims, Upper Soda Springs and points on the McCloud fly fishing is fairly good and getting better daily. The tributaries of Russian river and other streams of Sonoma, Napa and Mendocino counties are nearly all low and clear, and good for a nice basket of trout almost at any point the waters are whipped.—S. F. Breeder and Sportsman.

AT THE TRAPS.

Hercules Gun Club held an impromptu shoot last Sunday, in which "Pump Gun Hall" was high gun, breaking 21 out of 25. Although the attendance was small, the boys had a good time. Mr. D. S. Hirscher, who is a member of the club, was up from Vallejo and participated in the shoot. He expects to go East in a few days and visit his old home in Indiana. While East, he will take in the World's Fair at St. Louis.

The boys of Vallejo Gun Club expect to give Hercules Gun Club a warm time there on the 24th. Bull's head dinner and other refreshments galore. Now, fellows, get your guns and shells ready, also your appetite, as there will be plenty of shooting and eating. Make a record in both.

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ITEMS IN BRIEF.

Miss Hayes is visiting Mrs. Parsons.

The McKay cottage looks brilliant with a new coat of paint.

Ruth Ellis is rusticating on Brandt Heights.

Master Georgie Catlett is spending his vacation in Hercules.

Mrs. A. Sylvester visited with relatives in Oakland Friday.

Mrs. W. Pfeiffer visited relatives in Hercules Sunday.

Mrs. J. Krantz and son George were in the city Thursday and Friday.

A new industry has been started at Shingleville—turkeys raised to order.

Floyd Lefebere and Arthur Hamilton returned Sunday from a week's visit in Stockton.

Communications, advertising, copy and orders for the NEWS left at the watchman's gate will receive prompt attention.

The contest for the office of Justice of the Peace which has been in the Supreme Court for some time between J. P. Abbott and A. L. Hartley, has been settled in favor of the former.

Harry Scott, a carpenter, while working at the gun cotton on Wednesday evening, fell from a scaffold and sustained a frightful cut some four inches long on the neck by striking upon an earthen jar. Dr. Watts attended to his injuries.

J. N. and Mrs. Baker and Mrs. John Bermingham, accompanied by Ray Murphy went on a little fishing trip on their own hook Monday evening to the Rodeo dam. They caught 14 bass large of size and all black, so says Murphy, with Menhu bait.

On the Fourth of July a celebration was held at Laurel Glen, and among other visitors was genial Duke Evans. Ever since that event "Duke" has had a longing in his heart to visit that spot and we learn that he has since gratified his heart s desire, and when he returned he told a friend that "he found that button." Ask "Duke"

A social club has been organized at Black Diamond to be known as the Los Medanos Club. A two-story building, at a cost of $2500, will be erected to house the new organization, on the water front. A billiard room, reading room and a bar for the sale of soft drinks, are to be established, also a boat house. Some forty members have signed the roll.

HIS VERSION OF A QUADRILLE.

The following, taken from an exchange, may prove interesting and instructive to many beginners and some others who think they have mastered the figures of a quadrille:

A sailor was once asked by a messmate not quite so well up in matters social as himself to explain to him the third figure in a quadrille

"You first of all heave ahead," said he, and pass your adversary's yardarms; then in a jiffy regain your berth on the other tack in the same kind of order; slip along sharp, and take your station with your partner in line; back and fill, and fall on your keel, and bring up with your craft. She then maneuvers ahead off alongside you; then make sail in company with her until nearly astern of the other line; make a stern board; cast her off to shift for herself; regain your place out of the squadron as best you can and let go your anchor."

MARTINEZ NOTES.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Blu n are taking a vacation in Pacific Grove.

Miss Ramona Glass is visiting relatives in San Ramon.

Mrs. E. E. Webster has returned from a trip to the Santa Cruz mountains.

Everett Ludden of San Francisco spent Sunday with his parents in Martinez.

Mrs. Huckstep left on Saturday for Healdsburg, where she will visit friends.

Miss Josie Bickell has been suffering with a severe attack of tonsilitis this week.

Warren Wiley and Chester Glass, who have been camping on Mt. Diablo, returned last week.

Mrs. Mary Gillpatrick and Mrs. F. L. Glass have gone to Shasta Retreat to spend two weeks.

Sheriff and Mrs. R. R. Veale have gone to Lake Tahoe, and Miss Miriam Veale is visiting at Brentwood.

Mr. Maurice Taggart, Superintendent of the County Hospital, is spending a week in San Jose.

Mr. W. A. Hale went to Santa Cruz on Tuesday, where he will spend a week with his family.

Miss Maud Cemone, who has been spending a week with her brother at The Geysers in Sonoma county, returned home on Monday.

Mr. Ed Morgan has gone to the redwoods to spend a week with his family, who have been camping there for the last month.

Mr. Eugene Stoddard, Principal of the High School, Mr. A. B. Wilson, Walter Stoddard and Harold Wilson left last Thursday for a camping trip in Mendocino county.

Mrs. A. L. Hewitt and daughters returned last Saturday from Pacific Grove. On Sunday Miss Daisy Hewitt returned to her school in the Highland District, near Livermore.

Dr. J. H. Carothers left Sunday morning for Fresno, where he was called by the illness of Mrs. Carothers' brother, Mr. Prince, who was severely injured by being knocked down by a bicycle rider.

James Willison, who superintended the building of the Courthouse, was in Martinez on Wednesday evening of last week. He was on his way to Modesto, where he is superintending the building of some steel bridges.

A fire started in the alley between the postoffice and the adjoining building on Wednesday evening of last week, which would have resulted disastrously had it not been discovered by E. B. Griffing, who happened to be passing about 11 p. m. It was a very narrow escape for the business portion of Martinez.

More than seven hundred Danish and Norwegian emigrants perished by the sinking of the Scandinavian-American steamer Norge, which ran on Rockall reef on the coast of Scotland recently and soon sank. Out of nearly eight hundred people, who were bound for New York, only twenty-seven are known to be alive. There was a heavy sea at the time of the disaster, and most of the boats were smashed upon being launched and the inmates drowned. Three boats succeeded in leaving the sinking steamer, but only one of these has been picked up.

IS THIS RIGHT?

The following, taken from the San Francisco Examiner, from the marriage licenses issued, is self-explanatory:

BOX-HOLLOWAY—John R. Box, 30, 517 McAllister street; Mabel E. Holloway, 25, 1514 Sacramento street.

Now John R., while we heartily congratulate you in this new departure, we, like the rest of the boys don't like to be in doubt about this matter, and we think that the best way to square yourself is to "leave a few" at the club-room for us when we call around, as well as for some of the other boys. A man who will deliberately make a cold sneak like this and then try to hedge by denying the facts, should be made to suffer the penalty. Leave it up to Pe-Wee Miller, with a handful of Herculds "dough" and he will see that you will get righted all right in the estimation of your fellow men before this glorious event takes place, whereby you shuffie off single-blessedness forever, and as perhaps your welcome smile may not linger longer among us, let's have one "more smile" before you leave us forever. Amen.

IMPROVEMENTS AT THE CLUB.

Some changes have been made in the arrangements of the Hercules Club rooms. The library has been moved to the east room, which is much lighter and in a more quiet part of the building. The old library has been made into a sitting room, where the members can lounge, read and smoke. The present arrangement makes it much pleasanter for ladies, as the library now is much easier of access than before, and smoking in the library is to be abolished. Mrs. Bermingham's efforts to make things cosy about the club is appreciated by the members. Mrs. Bermingham has arranged the books very nicely alphabetically according to authors; and members using a little care in putting back the books in this arrangement can keep the place always tidy.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

On Monday afternoon Frank Fassler, who resides on a ranch in this vicinity, met with a serious and painful injury while driving in Pinole. He ran his buggy into the sidewalk in front of Manuel Silva's saloon. The vehicle was overturned and Fassler was thrown out, striking upon his head. He sustained a bad cut under the eye, which necessitated a number of stitches, and was otherwise badly bruised. Dr. Smith dressed his wounds and Fassler will take this lesson to heart and will keep the "straight road" hereafter. The horse ran away, but was caught by bystanders.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION.

Opequon Council No. 45, Degree of Pocahontas and Shenendoah Tribe No. 121, Improved Order of Red Men, held a jubillee joint installation on Wednesday evening, in which the two tribes performed some excellent team work. Porter S. Bliss, the Great Keeper of Records was present, and delivered a masterly and interesting address. A splendid banquet was partaken of and a social dance in the lower hall was a part of the program.

LETTER FROM TORMEY.

TORMEY, July 9, '04.

EDITOR NEWS—Dear Sir: A copy of your very bright and newsy paper has just been handed to me and I feel proud that our coast at last has a man endowed with the energy and spirit to give us what we never have had, viz A paper whose columns are devoted to the daily happenings on our shore, and written up in such a manner that the most fastidious find pleasure in the perusal of its columns.

Our little hamlet is making rapid strides toward the goal when we can Say that we have the prettiest town in our county and for which the Selby Smelting Works is credited. Our streets can compare with any of those we hear about from Los Angeles, Riverside and other southern towns. Cleanliness is the motto of Supt. Rapp.

A fire department equipped with the most modern appliances for protection to the homes of all our residents, while the houses are not to be compared with those of large cities for home comforts—electric lights, hot and cold water and a number one sewer system.

Few, if any, of the citizens of our county are aware of the fact that we can boast of a gentleman who is an artist, outside of his own calling. I refer to Professor Hewiston, whose recent and latest painting has just been completed. The professor has of late acquired a fancy for stage scenery and drop curtains and he thought his efforts in this direction would be rewarded—so he took for his subject the well-known actor whose fame as a mimic is known the world over, Ole Olsen. Standing over six feet three, muscular, well developed, the artist has shown his ability to a remarkable degree—every line bears the true life picture of this famous subject, and every move of the artist was prolific of the superior head, hands and movements of his brush.

The picture, through the kindness of Mr. Burns, was exhibited for two days at Hotel El Ciervo, and later was moved to Rodeo, where it is yet to be seen evenings, as if it were vieing with the rainbow, whose colors sink into oblivion when compared with the artistic efforts of this modern Michael Angelo.

AN EMPLOYEE.

NOTICE TO VOTERS.

Every person entitled thereto must register during the year 1904 forty days before election in the precinct in which he may desire to vote. The registration for the general election in November next closes September 28th. Make application for registration to J. E. Rodgers, County Clerk, or A. M. Ashenfelter, Deputy County Clerk for the town of Hercules, Contra Costa County, Cal.

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF DOGS.

All dog licenses expire June 30, 1904. Notice is hereby given to renew licenses at one. Same can be obtained at the storehouse.

HENRY MCCULLOUGH,
Town Marshal.

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RODEO NEWS.

Mr. A. Joseph of Berkeley, spent Sunday with his parents in Rodeo.

Miss Mary Thompson returned Sunday from Santa Rosa, where she had been in attendance at her father's funeral.

Mr. Manuel Bronzell of Rodeo, spent Sunday in San Pablo.

Mr. A. Jeffrey and Mr, Chas. Coll were visiting friends in Rodeo last Sunday.

Mr. Charles Cony of Oakland spent Sunday in Rodeo visiting with friends whom he had not seen for many years.

Al. Humphrey and Geo. Graham, while hunting near the Barry ranch last Sunday, killed a large coyote that crossed the road with a chicken in his mouth. Al. Humphrey has his hide as a trophy.

Mr. Henry Jones of Rodeo is presiding as blockman up at Tormey station.

Miss Myrtle Miller returned from Santa Cruz Monday.

NEW BASEBALL TEAM.

A new baseball team has been organized at Hercules from the Acid works, and judging from the line-up they will prove equal to the occasion of defending their colors against all comers. Following is a challenge they issue:

The Acid Works Baseball Club hereby challenges any team on the ranch belonging to one department, machinists' department preferred, at a reasonable time from this date for any wager the opponents put up. Following is the line-up of the Acid works: Healy, c; Fritz, p; Ross, 1st b; Brooks, 2d b; Hagan, 3d b; Meyers, s s; Boyer, r f; Fitzgerald, c f; J. Smith, l f. Jack Silva, manager; C. Plitch, umpire.

ASSESSMENT ROLL PRESENTED.

Assessor Jones presented his assessment for the fiscal year to the Supervisors Monday. He reported that he found very little wheat in the warehouses and that the closing of the sugar factory at Crockett, which was in former years assessed for about $500, 000, had created quite a deficit in the total of the assessment, which, however is expected to reach $22, 000, 000. The addition of the columns is now proceeding, but the total has not yet been made.

LICENSED TO WED.

Marriage licenses have been issued as follows:

July 2d—To John H. Prideaux of San Francisco and Rose May Kelley of San Francisco.

July 2d—To O. J. Rodgers of Richmond and Laura Walter of San Jose.

July 5th—To Joe Frates Pimental of Oakley and Annie Ross, Oakley.

BOX-HOLLOWAY—John R. Box, 30, 517 McAllister street; Mabel E. Holloway, 25, 1514 Sacramento street.

ANOTHER GLOVE CONTEST.

An effort is being made by Jas. Silva and arrangements will probably be completed soon to match Herbert of Crockett, and Wolf of San Francisco, in a glove contest at Pinole. This will be no fake, and holders of tickets of the last affair will be admitted free. The men will fight for $200 and gate money.

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206 pairs Men's All Wool Pants.....	regular price $3.00	now $1.95
22 Men's All Wool Suits.....	" $20.00	now $13.35
54 " " "	" $15.00	now $8.35
21 " Men's Cravonet Overcoats.....	" $15.00	now $8.45
160 pairs Men's Shoes.....	" $2.50	now $1.95

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